

Minutes of Water Advisory Committee- FINAL
For Meeting of June 5, 2006

Attendees: Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Jack Baker, North Marin Water District
Mike Ban, City of Petaluma
Al Bandur, City of Sonoma
Stanley Cohen, City of Sonoma
Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District
Sanford Smith, Valley of the Moon Water District
Spencer Bader, SCWA
Randy Poole, SCWA
Pam Jeane, SCWA
Brian Lee, SCWA
Remleh Scherzinger, SCWA
Cordell Stillman, SCWA
Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa
Glen Wright, City of Santa Rosa
Greg Scoles, City of Santa Rosa
Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa
Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa
Jon Mandell, MMWD
Paul Helliker, MMWD
Darrin Jenkins, City of Rohnert Park
Matt Mullan, Town of Windsor
Richard Burt, Town of Windsor
Janet Orchard, City of Cotati
Toni Bertolero, City of Cotati

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
Don McEnhill, League of Women Voters
Paul Stutrud, OWL
Fred Soares, SW Neighborhood Alliance
Tony Lindstrom, Cal American Water
Daniel Mizerski, Cal American Water
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers
David Keller, FOER
Jim Downey, Pennngrove/Kenwood Water District
HR Downs, OWL
Dick Bell, Dick Bell Consulting

1. Check In

Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The attendees checked in. Mr. Ferris added that the WAC negotiations have ended and the Agreement will be brought to the SCWA Board on June 20, 2006.

2. Public Comment

H.R. Downs, OWL, stated that we should budget our growth with the available water supply. He also noted that the court supports more comprehensive studies of where the available water supply comes from.

3. Approval and Recap of the May 1, 2006, Minutes

Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa, made a motion to approve the minutes and Jack Baker, North Marin Water District, seconded. All approved.

4. Approve WAC Interest Letter

Chris DeGabriele, NMWD, asked WAC if the interest letter was ready for mailing to the SCWA Board. Mike Martini made a motion to approve the letter, have Miles Ferris sign it, and send it to the SCWA Board. Jack Baker seconded. All approved.

5. Approval Status – Restructured Agreement and Impairment MOU

Spencer Bader, SCWA, advised that he met with John Nelson and the county auditors about the terms for billing. Everything is in place to begin on July 1, 2006.

Chris DeGabriele inquired about the \$35 acre foot Environmental Enhancement Fee as it is above and beyond what was agreed upon. Mr. Bader assured WAC that these charges were already in the O & M and there would be no need to change rates.

Status of the Restructured Agreement and Impairment MOU without MMWD are as follows:

North Marin Water District - 6/6/06
Santa Rosa - 6/20/06
Petaluma-approved
Valley of the Moon - approved
Cotati - approved
Rohnert Park - 6/27/06
Windsor - Ready to Sign
Sonoma- Ready to Sign

6. Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership

Chris DeGabriele advised he would be calling a meeting to organize conservation programs for all partners.

7. Water Policy Committee

Miles Ferris asked WAC what direction they would like to take with future meetings. He suggested either having a separate Technical Advisory Committee and Water Advisory Committee or combining them both.

After discussion, Chris DeGabriele motioned that an item be placed on the August 7, 2006, meeting agenda for members to return and decide what type of committees need to be formed at that time. Mike Martini seconded. All approved.

8. Agency Sustainability Efforts Update

Cordel Stillman, SCWA, stated steps taken toward sustainability include solar power projects and landfill gas projects.

The SCWA is also the only public agency involved in the California Environment Dialogue group. The group includes businesses and environmental groups such as Audubon, Toyota, Sierra Club, Chevron, Disney, etc. The SCWA is also the only public agency that has received an application for the Seal of Sustainability from the California Business Institute.

In addition, the SCWA is involved in the Climate Protection Conference that will be held on July 14, 2006. An energy use questionnaire has been sent out to all City/County agencies to gather information for the meeting.

9. Update of Salmon Coalition

Mike Martini indicated there was nothing new to report.

10. Letter of Appreciation for Virginia Porter

Miles Ferris read a letter of appreciation that will be sent to Virginia Porter on behalf of the WAC. Mike Martini made a motion to approve the letter. Jack Baker seconded. All approved.

11. Check Out

Miles Ferris thanked the members for their work and diligence.